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Prior to the calculation of the filing fee and examination of the present application, please enter the claim amendments as shown in the **Claims** section beginning at page 2 of this paper. Applicants also submit an English language translation of the German specification, a Substitute specification conforming to U.S. patent practice, and a Marked Up copy showing changes made to the English translation. **Remarks** begin at page 4 of this paper.

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